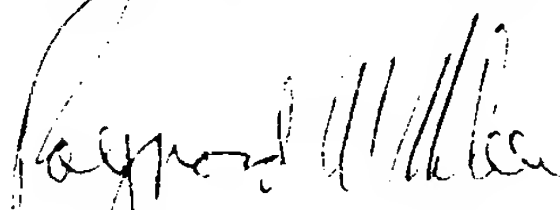


REMARKS

The present amendments are made to clarify that the invention is not limited to only feeding poultry raised as a meat supply but also is suitable for feeding poultry raised or intended for other uses, such as breeding, egg production, pullets, and so forth. Support is found, for example, at paragraphs [0011], [0012] and [0017] of the present application. Also, Examples 2 and 3 of the application concern battery cage study of poultry for a given time rather than for a limited purpose.

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--1. (Amended) A poultry feed diet composition for [raising] poultry [within confined spaces such as poultry pens], the poultry feed diet composition comprising a balanced feed composition plus a citrus feed supplement, said feed supplement being a citrus byproduct generated by citrus juice expressing from citrus fruit, said citrus feed supplement including citrus byproduct particles, and said citrus feed supplement being at a concentration of not more than about 2 weight percent, based on the total weight of the poultry feed diet composition.--

--20. (Amended) A process for enhancing commercial poultry [raising] operations, comprising:

supplying a confined [space within which poultry chicks are raised, the combined] space having a poultry feeding area;

providing a poultry feed diet composition which comprises a balanced feed composition and a citrus feed supplement, said citrus feed supplement being a citrus byproduct generated by expressing citrus juice from citrus fruit, the citrus byproduct containing citrus peel and pulp, said citrus feed supplement being at a concentration of not more than about 2 weight percent, based on the total weight of the poultry feed diet composition; and

placing said poultry feed diet composition within the poultry feeding area and confining poultry [chicks] in the confined space, thereby having the poultry feed on the poultry feed diet.--

--31. (Amended) The process in accordance with claim 20, further including:

continuing said confining and having the poultry fed for a length of time adequate for the poultry to grow to poultry of a size suitable for commercial meat supply use; and

providing through said process a quality characteristic of the thus raised poultry which is improved when compared with the same characteristic of poultry chicks raised in the same manner on said balanced feed composition in the absence of said citrus feed supplement.--

--33. (Amended) The process in accordance with claim 20, further including calculating a feed conversion value for the poultry feed diet expended [in the poultry raising operation], said feed conversion value being less than that for [raising poultry with] a feed comprising said balanced feed composition and a feed supplement comprised of hesperidin, limonin glucoside and citrus pectin which are not in a native state as present in dried citrus byproduct from citrus juice extraction equipment.--

--34. (Amended) The process in accordance with claim 20, further including calculating a feed conversion value for the poultry feed diet expended [in the poultry raising operation], said feed conversion value being less than that for [raising poultry with] a feed comprising said balanced feed composition in the absence of [the] said citrus feed supplement.--